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MEMORIAL SERVICE

On August 24th, one hundred or so family, friends, and colleagues gathered at the campus of The Monroe Institute's Nancy Penn Center. We were there to pay tribute to Carol de la Herran and to say our final goodbyes to her as a physical being.

The ceremony began with an audio recording of the Gateway Affirmation. As "I am more than my physical body..." played over speakers, a slide show of photos from Carol's life was shown-- images from her early childhood to the present.

Poignant and funny recollections were shared. Walter Stock, TMI executive director and president, Stephen Ng Qui Sang, chairman of the board, and Outreach and residential trainer Andrea Berger offered heart-felt eulogies. Carol's three children from Spain and the UK spoke eloquently of their lives with Carol. A chapter was read from a book she had begun writing. Bob Holbrook read a well-known poem of Bob Monroe's from *Ultimate Journey*. A tribute from staff video was also played.



A moving memorial tree planting ceremony officiated by former executive director, Paul Rademacher, included the release of live butterflies.

Delicious and abundant hors d'oeuvres were served in the dining room, even as the staff prepared for an incoming program group.

It was a good day and a beautiful send-off.